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Atanas TOMOV, et al.

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For: METHOD FOR POLYMERISING OLEFINS IN THE PRESENCE OF NICKEL

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## LETTER TO THE EXAMINER

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is further to the Information Disclosure Statement filed in the subject application on September 19, 2001. Acknowledgment of the prior art disclosures cited on the IDS was indicated by the Examiner-initialed copy of the Form PTO-1449 returned to Applicants with the Office Action mailed May 14, 2003.

Attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration is an English-language translation of Bulgarian patent 51624A which was listed on Applicants' IDS of September 19, 2001.

Respectfully submitted

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